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CHRYSANTHEMUMS

CACTUS DAHLIAS

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Together with CULTURAL NOTES on the Dahlia

GEORGE BRUNNING & SONS

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Brighton Road, ST. KILDA, Victoria

NOT Melbourne

New Chrysanthemums for 1918

Raised by Thomas W. Pockett, the noted raiser of
the World's Choicest Varieties

The Varieties raised by the above last season and sent out by
us were acknowledged by all as the finest yet seen, and again won
almost every Champion in Australia.

Bronze Meudon—This is a bronze sport from that well-known and
popular variety, "**Meudon**," and which is identical in every
respect except colour, which varies from almost yellow on
early buds to a terra-cotta on later buds. For exhibition,
select buds about 10th February. 2/6 each.

Evelyn Ferguson—Reddish, salmon bronze, of a reflexing type.
Medium size, and quite distinct from any variety previously
distributed. Suitable for garden and cut flowers. May be
grown for exhibition from buds about 12th February. 2/6

Ilma Ratten—Silvery pink when fully expanded, and having flowers
perfectly full under all conditions. A reflexing type, easy to
grow, and suitable for any purpose; should be in every
collection, especially for shows end of April. A splendid
keeper. Select buds 12th February. 2/6 each.

Lady Edward Miller—Deep yellow, with broad-whorled and incurving
florets. This will prove to be the best yellow ever introduced.
Suitable for exhibition, for cutting, or general garden decoration;
very free flowering. For exhibition, select buds about
12th February. 3/6 each.

Pockett's Late Bronze—A desirable variety for large or small
blossoms during June or July. For large blossoms select buds
about the middle of March. This is probably the latest
flowering variety yet raised. 2/6 each.

Mrs. H. Williamson—White, with very long petals of drooping
habit. Suitable for exhibition from buds about 12th February.
2/6 each.

Mrs. A. J. Weller—Chestnut and gold. A very beautiful bronze, similar in form and colour to that well-known variety Kara Dow, but will be found easier to grow, and can be had in flower earlier. It has also the advantage of being dwarf and shorter in flower stem. Awarded First Prize for finest novelty shown in my Cup stands, and greatly admired. For exhibition, select bud about 6th February. 3/6 each.

Mrs. H. Murphy—A lovely shade of Enchantress Carnation pink, growth vigorous, reflexed petals, every bud comes good crown, buds early in February, good for exhibition.

Mrs. J. Wallace—Flowers of enormous size, deep rosy pink shaded purple, strong grower; select late crown buds, good for exhibition; distinct.

Olive Hopkins—White, with greenish centre; petals beautifully whorled, with incurving tips; perfectly full and suitable for flowering during May. For large flowers, select buds about 20th February. 2/6 each.

Ruby Jones—Deep yellow; purely a decorative; dwarf habit and free. This is suitable only for flowering from the middle of May, when flowers are becoming scarce. 2/6 each.

New Japanese Chrysanthemums of 1917

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1/6 each.

Golden Champion—Beautiful golden yellow, with bronzy yellow centre. An extra large flower that will be indispensable for any purpose; very dwarf and free flowering. This will be a great acquisition, and will prove to be one of the best varieties ever distributed. For exhibition, select buds about 10th February. F.C.C., N.C.S., London; highest awards for yellow, New York, U.S.A. F.C.C., R.H.S., Melbourne, and champion bloom, Melbourne, 1917.

John Reid—Wine purple colour, with silvery reverse. A very full flower of exhibition size, which shows most of the colour. An easy grower, with a good constitution. For exhibition, select buds about 14th February.

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Lady E. M. Ferguson—White. A lovely reflexing type of very large dimensions, with strong stem and large foliage. It is without doubt the largest and most refined of the drooping and reflexing whites yet raised. For exhibition, select buds about 10th February. F.C.C., R.H.S., Victoria.

Louisa Pockett—This is the most remarkable variety raised. Enormous, alike in stem, foliage and flower; colour, pure white, later buds often showing blush. A number of blooms have already been exhibited in Australia, England, and America fully 11½ inches in diameter, and 11½ inches deep. Exhibition blooms of this phenomenal variety contain upwards of 1000 petals, which are of a refined, incurving type. It will be grown extensively for exhibition, commercial, and garden decoration, etc., and owing to the extraordinary substance of petal, it is not easily affected by the weather. For exhibition, select buds about 16th February. A.M., R.H.S., and F.C.C., N.C.S., London; also F.C.C., R.H.S., Victoria, F.C.C., Malvern, besides highest awards, New York, U.S.A. Champion bloom, Malvern, and Albury, 1917.

Mrs. Roger Thomson—A most beautiful broad-petalled, incurving yellow, almost identical in colour to R. F. Felton; dwarf grower with stout stem and very fine foliage. Will be much sought for exhibition, floral work, or garden decoration. For exhibition, select buds about 6th February. Champion bloom at Ivanhoe, 1917.

ENGLISH RAISED VARIETIES

Price, 1/6 each.

Bob Pulling—Yellow, long drooping florets.

His Majesty—Deep, velvety crimson.

Miss A. E. Roope—Deep golden yellow.

Mrs. H. J. Jones—Chartreuse green, large drooping flower.

Mrs. J. Gibson—Mauve pink on a white ground.

Mrs. R. C. Pulling—Lemon yellow, with broad petals.

Mrs. Will Dennis—White ground colour, striped and flushed rose pink.

The above exhibition varieties were raised in England, where they have been a complete success; but to obtain good results in Australia, it will be necessary to select very early buds.

BRIGHTON ROAD, ST. KILDA.

New Japanese Chrysanthemums of 1917

Raised by G. Brunning and Sons.

Price, 1/6 each.

- Dwarf Queen**—Colour, red, reverse of petals gold, large flowers; a nice, dwarf habit. Select buds second week in February.
- Miss Toms**—Colour, magenta shade, with silver reverse, large flower; 12th February.
- Mr. D. Kidd**—Colour, light strawberry and buff, a very pretty combination of colours.
- Mrs. Rawson**—Colour, a beautiful shell pink, reverse of petals silvery; 12th February.
- Myra**—Colour, pale yellow, long petals, a good exhibition variety; 12th February.
- White Gem**—Pure white, flowers large, a very promising variety; second week in February.

BEDDING VARIETIES

The following Chrysanthemums are first-class for bedding; their dwarf habit, combined with their colouring, make them ideal for that purpose:—1/- each.

- Flo**—Colour, yellow, flushed with red, dwarf.
- Fair Maiden**—Colour, blush white, dwarf.
- Janet**—Colour, blush white, dwarf.
- Snowy (Single)**—Largest single white in cultivation.

New Single Chrysanthemums of 1917

- Festival**—Delicate pink, deep pink centre, surrounding green disc, edge of petals white; a remarkable variety. 1/-.
- Mena**—Lavender pink, white ring around centre; a splendid variety for show, and one of the best for the garden. 1/-.
- Miss May Rennie**—Soft, clear mauve pink, slightly quilled in centre, petals opening out full and graceful, edge of petals curled; free flowering and erect habit. 1/-.
- Sadie**—Pale pink, with white ring round yellow centre; fine truss, and good for any purpose. 1/-.

BRIGHTON ROAD, ST. KILDA.

The Cultivation of the Dahlia

The Dahlia will grow in almost any kind of soil; the best results are obtained from a rather heavy, well-matured loam. If the soil is too stiff, the addition of a liberal supply of horse manure well worked in will loosen it. Light, sandy soil will be improved by the addition of clay and cow manure. The ground should be trenched, and the manure applied some time before the plants are put in. Turn the soil over frequently, and leave the surface as rough as possible, so that the air may sweeten it. As the Dahlia requires plenty of water, it is necessary to see that the ground is well drained. If early blooms are required, put out plants early in September. Plants intended to provide exhibition blooms should not be put in the ground till December. Be sure that the plants are properly staked and tied. When the weather is dry, water should be given every evening over the foliage. When buds appear, if exhibition blooms are wanted, give the plants a dose of weak liquid manure every week, made as follows:—Take 28lb. of fresh cow-dung, adding a 4-inch pot of soot; place the same in a tub containing 20 gallons of water, leaving it to stand for four or five days before using; dilute one pint of this mixture to two gallons of water before using same, and then thin them out, leaving only one bud on each branch. In June, when the foliage is withered by frosts, cut off the stems three inches above the neck, lift and put the tubers away in a dry place for their winter sleep.

The enemies that trouble the Dahlias are slugs, snails, and red spider; the last is the worst. The best preventive is a liberal use of the hose, best applied first thing in the morning or evening. Slugs and snails may be held in check by the use of "Pestide," which we have found very effective.

NEW CACTUS DAHLIAS for 1918

Alex Kennedy (Stredwick)—Colour deep crimson throughout. This variety in form and habit greatly resembles the well-known Dahlia, "F. W. Fellows," and we anticipate it will become as popular. The blooms are often nine inches across, having straight, narrow florets. Plants wiry, and black wooded, the flower stems being extra long and carry the flowers erect. We formed an excellent opinion of this, as a seedling, and it has exceeded expectation. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England. 2/6.

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Alabaster (Stredwick)—A flower of purest white, and a variety that has come to stay. The blooms are of large size, and just sufficiently incurved in form to show to advantage when exhibited. The plants are sturdy and dwarf, and carry the flowers boldly on stout erect stems. We predict that this will supersede all other white Cactus, it being one of the most genuine varieties we have ever raised. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England. 2/6.

British Lion (Stredwick)—Never before have we had such truly monster flowers as those of "British Lion." The blooms being composed of a great number of long twisted and curling petals, not particularly narrow, the flowers presenting a massive appearance. The colour is peculiar, yellowish for the most part, but burnished with red, almost, it might be termed, tawny in colour. Plants strong and produce huge flowers, without any unduly rich culture. Unique and wonderful. Awarded First-Class Certificate National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, R.H.S., England, 2/6.

Erin (Burrell)—Bright orange red, flower large, long outer florets almost straight, centre slightly incurved, strong erect flower stems well out of foliage, free habit, fine exhibition or garden variety. First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. 2/6.

Ivory White (West)—Although not a pure white, it is an extremely fine variety, build and shape of flower, after "F. W. Fellows," it is a strong grower, good habit, with very long and strong flower stalks. 2/6.

Mrs. G. Eakins—Bronzy yellow, paler at base and tips of petals; a beautiful long-petalled variety of large size and perfect form. 2/6.

Royalist (Stredwick)—The plants of this are somewhat spare as regards growth, but the stems are wiry and strong, and produce fine large flowers of a pleasing, curly form. The colour can only be described as crimson, but this does not altogether give a correct idea, as a decided purplish tinge shows at the tips and on older petals sufficiently to make the variety distinct. 2/6.

Sussex (Stredwick)—This variety has the narrowest florets of any in our collection, and yet they withstand bad weather conditions better than many of the coarser sorts. The flowers are far above average width and of flatish form, but the petals slightly and evenly incurve at the tips. Habit, very fair, the stems being long. Colour clear light yellow. 2/6.

Veteran (Stredwick)—A Dahlia of first-rate habit, and remarkable for its long succession of good well-formed flowers, carried on splendid stems. Colour, crimson scarlet. We had intended to catalogue this as a "Garden Cactus," but this term gives a wrong impression, as meaning a smaller type of flower. This is a full sized Cactus, with the garden Dahlia habit. 2/6.

New Cactus Dahlias of 1917

1/3, or 12/- per dozen.

A. R. Perry (Stredwick)—A large bold flower, with incurved tubular florets. Colour, old rose tipped with gold, and with golden sheen at the base. A grand variety for exhibition, making up striking bunches in threes or sixes, and equally telling as single flowers. Plants strong and vigorous, and flower stems good. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Cygnat Beautiful yellow, splashed with red, petals long; good exhibition variety.

Falson (Stredwick)—A capital Dahlia, combining the best possible habit with other good qualities; the stems are long and perfectly rigid, and the flowers, which are produced with more than ordinary freedom, are of good cactus type, incurved in form, and of brilliant colouring, being clear yellow at base, to a reddish bronze shade at tips. A striking flower in a vase, and no less so when growing with other varieties.

Fearless (Stredwick)—One of the largest Dahlias, if not quite the largest we have. The florets are very long, slightly incurved and as narrow as needles, the flowers exceeding in width almost any other variety. The blooms last well, and are less affected by hot sunshine or rain than is the case with most of the Cactus. Colour bright orange scarlet throughout. Plants of wiry growth, and produce a long succession of full centred flowers.

Hugh McNeil (Stredwick)—This is one of the best Dahlias we have ever grown, judged from a decorative standpoint. The stems are long and stout, the flowers being freely produced and always full in the centre, there being no need to remove the side buds. The colour is beautiful, of the deep pink shades, but a peculiarly pretty and distinct tint. Classed by the raiser as a Garden Cactus.

Lillian Alice Wells—Pure white, long petals, quite first-class.

Miss Judd (Stredwick)—Quite a model Dahlia, both as regards plant and flower, the latter being of neat form and globular shape, with florets more than usually incurved and claw-like. The plants are dwarf, sturdy, and free flowering, and the blooms are carried on good stems. Colour, lemon yellow at tips and base, tinged and blended with shades of pink. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Miss Olive James—Seedling from Mary Purrier. This variety has attracted considerable attention wherever shown. It is of exceptional vigour, growing to a height of seven feet, with flower stems fully eighteen inches long. The colour is orange scarlet, of good shape, with exceptionally long petals, flowers measuring fully ten inches across.

Mrs. W. Allaway—A superb and perfect Dahlia, of exquisite form and colour. For exhibition it is absolutely the best of its colour, which is a beautiful lilac-pink, with white centre. Every flower comes good, and is carried well above the foliage; unsurpassed for garden purposes.

Phenomenal (Stredwick)—This variety is totally distinct and unlike any Cactus variety yet raised. The flowers are large, and the florets long and ribbon-like. But these incurve to such an extent that they at last form a tangled mass, more like certain Japanese Chrysanthemums than a Dahlia. Colour, shades of pale salmon with yellow at base, and decided yellow at tips. The flowers develop slowly, but last well.

Searchlight (Stredwick)—This might also be described as a yellow form of the variety, "Miss Stredwick," the plants being very similar in growth and habit. It is a typical exhibition Cactus, the flowers being large and beautifully, although not excessively, incurved in form, and the florets are narrow throughout their length. Awarded First Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Sceptre (Stredwick)—A wiry, hard-wooded, spare-growing, yet healthy variety, with flowers held quite erect. Blooms of incurved Cactus type, with narrow petals which stand well in all weathers. Colour, orange yellow at base, changing to a combination of shades of mauve and rosy purple. Classed by the raiser as a Garden Cactus. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Sentinel (Stredwick)—A grand variety, requiring little if any thinning, and no disbudding, yet producing great flowers on huge stems. The colour is for the most part a shade of deep rose, but at the base of the florets there is a disc of white, which prettily relieves and enhances the darker colouring. This should prove a welcome addition for those who require strong-stemmed flowers yet of good Cactus type and large size. Classed by the raiser as a Garden Cactus.

Topaze (Stredwick)—In this we have a Cactus of distinct and peculiar colour, which might almost be described as weird. The base of the florets is nearly white, but this changes to shades of magenta, purple and rose blended. The flowers are of medium size, never shallow, and very narrow in petal, and the plants are of good habit and have hard flower stems. Quite a genuine Dahlia.

Washington (Stredwick)—The best crimson in our collection, and six blooms formed the best bunch in our first prize exhibit at the N.D.S. The flowers are very large and of pronounced incurved form, being both broad and deep; in fact, few varieties produce flowers of equal weight and quality. It has a capital habit, flowering abundantly, the stems being long and wiry, and the foliage dark. A grand addition. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

New Collarette Dahlias for 1918

Autumn Tints (Stredwick)—A beautiful Collarette of reddish orange shades and yellow collar; very strong flower stem. The blooms continue far into the autumn with undiminished brilliancy. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, R.H.S. 2/6

Black Watch—Dark purple brown, almost black; Collarette purple brown, slightly flecked white and rose, almost a self. Very good. 2/6.

Cpl. Ed. Drury (Stredwick)—A distinct and attractive colour, salmon terra cotta, with neat, yellow collar. Flowers of splendid form, and carried on perfectly erect stems. This is one of our finest introductions, in this section. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society. 2/6.

Ermine (Stredwick)—This variety is our ideal as regards form, being perfectly circular, and slightly reflexed, inverted saucer, fashion. It is of purest white, and the blooms when awarded F.C.C. were mostly favourably commented on by the experts. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society. 2/6.

Miss Fenton—Purplish crimson, shading to purple at edges of petals. Collar, pale yellow, tipped white. A large and attractive variety. 2/6. Colonial raised.

Colonial Raised Collarette Dahlias for 1918

Vernon Watkins—Yellow and red. This was raised from the well-known variety Souv. de Chaubaud. It is far superior in colour and in growth. Was awarded First Prizes Carnation, Dahlia and Sweet Pea Society; also Improvement Society Shows last year. Highly recommended for show purposes. 2/6 each.

Mrs. I. S. Peardon—Purple and white colour. This variety was greatly admired in all show stands last year. First-Class. For either show or garden purposes. 2/6 each.

Mrs Caley Smith—This variety is far different to anything we have sent out. Colour, a beautiful old gold, with pale pink collar. A great contrast to other Collarette Dahlias. We can highly recommend this to all Collarette Dahlia growers. Habit, splendid. 2/6 each.

Cameron—Red, shading to orange; collar same colours. Large fine flower. 2/-.

Royal Seal—Light primrose flower. 2/-.

Cormorant—Crimson maroon. Collarette primrose, streaked carmine. 2/-.

Fusilier—Apricot, with a flush of rose. Collarette yellow, passing through buff to edging of rose. 2/-.

Seaforth—Violet rose. Collarette rose and white. 2/-.

Wren—Bright crimson, with white edges and disc, pure white collarette, beautiful round flower, with erect long stems. 2/-.

New Collarette Dahlias of 1917

1/3 each, or 12/- dozen.

Albert E. Watkins—Crimson, edges pink, cream and pink collar; lovely flower. Australian raised.

Bacchante (Stredwick)—Flowers of neat and compact form and medium size. Plants very free and stems wiry and erect. Colour dark, but marked and suffused, especially at tips, with white. Collar white. Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Councillor F. H. Barnet—A bright crimson, lighter towards edge, quite first-class. Australian raised.

Garland (Stredwick)—Quite one of our best Collarettes, the flowers, which are carried on great stems, being of perfect form, with rounded petals, slightly reflexed. Colour, vivid clear deep scarlet throughout, with light yellow collar, Awarded First-Class Certificate, National Dahlia Society, England. Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Hornet (Stredwick)—In colour a peculiar combination of shades of purplish crimson, edged and banded with lighter tints. Large pale yellow collar. A wonderfully free flowering and long stemmed variety. Striking and effective. One of the best.

Marksman (Stredwick)—Our first "Fancy" Collarette. The ground colour is white, splashed, spotted and striped with vermillion. Habit dwarf, form rounded, and flower stem good. This we anticipate to be the forerunner of a fancy section of Collarettes.

Mrs. F. G. Chamberlain—Red, with yellow margin, yellow collar; an improvement on Souv. de Chaubaume. Australian raised.

Mrs. F. G. Hughes—A glorious yellow, with yellow collar; undoubtedly the best of its colour yet introduced Australian raised.

Mrs. J. W. Watkins—An intense crimson maroon, with very large white Collarette, first-class exhibition variety. Australian raised.

Patrol (Stredwick)—A dwarf growing, free flowering, wiry stemmed Collarette, with flower of neat precise form of the "Regularity" type. Colour, purplish crimson, with white collar. Awarded Award of Merit, Royal Horticultural Society, England.

Shannon (Stredwick)—One of the most striking Collarettes in our collection. A large and brilliant flower on long stem. Colour, deep yellow flushed in centre of petal with scarlet, and with collar of lighter yellow.

Tiger (Stredwick)—This we consider the most perfectly formed Collarette we have yet raised. It is circular, the rounded florets slightly and evenly reflexing. The colouring is somewhat novel, the yellowish ground colour being more or less heavily tinged and clouded with red, in some instances the deeper shades running in bands and stripes, with clear yellow between.

New Pæony Dahlias for 1918

Fire Dragon—Intense orange scarlet, with broad florets. The best of its colour. 2/-

Miss Sophie Savory—Pale yellow. The flowers, which are of fine form and largest size, are borne on strong, erect stems. 2/6.

Miss Laura Perrett—Orange scarlet. One of the largest and brightest Pæony Dahlias. 2/6.

Mrs. E. Paul—Pure white. A fine, broad-petalled variety of good size and exhibition form. 2/6.

New Pæony Dahlias of 1917

Adeline—Colour, vieux rose, extra large flower, good grower and splendid variety for the garden. 1/3 each.

Alex. De Lacy—Colour, mauve, very large flowers; the best of its colour. 1/3.

Clarice Sainty—Colour, rich fresh pink, fine large flower, good stiff stems, and flowers stand erect; a splendid variety for any purpose. 1/3 each.

C. S. Hood—Extra large flower. Colour, scarlet magenta; fine, strong grower. A splendid variety for show or the garden. Much admired wherever exhibited. 1/3.

Edna—Colour, buff with red buff markings; a good variety for any purpose. 1/3 each.

- Gwenda**—Colour, yellow ground, tinged with red, a remarkable variety on account of its very dwarf habit, which grows only about 1 ft. to 18 in. high, with fine large flowers. 1/3.
- J. A. Bailey**—Colour, light scarlet; a fine variety. 1/3.
- Master Alex**—Colour, terra-cotta red, large flowers and fine type; splendid for exhibition. 1/3.
- Sylvia**—A splendid variety, either for show or garden purposes; colour, salmon apricot; much admired in my winning exhibit. 1/3 each.

SINGLE DAHLIAS

1/ each; 10/- per dozen.

- Althea**—Clear buff with crimson zone; of fine form and habit.
- Beacon**—Rich golden yellow; flowers of finest form; bushy habit.
- Cardinal**—Rich cardinal red, with a distinct yellow zone. One of the best singles.
- King of the Scarlet**—An extra large flower of perfect form; colour, bright scarlet, yellow ring round centre; the finest yet raised, and should be in every collection; greatly admired.
- Lilian**—Rosy lilac, with crimson-maroon zone. An attractive variety of good form.
- Mrs. W. Parrot**—Scarlet, tipped with white.
- Nana**—Another splendid variety; colour, blood red, yellow ring round centre, also yellow outside edge; a fine showy variety.
- Norma**—Rich crimson scarlet; good exhibition flower. Plants of the best possible habit.
- Owen Thomas**—Scarlet, tipped with yellow.
- Red Cross**—Pure white, edged with fiery red; better than Union Jack.
- Robin Hood**—This is a semi-single variety, but a splendid colour and one of the finest habits. Colour, purple and maroon; one of the finest garden varieties.
- Stromboli**—Bright maroon, heavily tipped with white. A conspicuous variety. A.M., R.H.S. F.C.C., N.D.S. 3 ft.
- Sunray**—Pale orange, with bright crimson zone.
- Winoma**—Deep maroon; dwarf and floriferous. One of the best for cutting.

New Decorative Dahlia

- Madonna**—The finest white decorative Dahlia. A.M., R.H.S. F.C.C., N.D.S. 1/6.

BRIGHTON ROAD, ST. KILDA.

Decorative Single Dahlia

Lady Weedon (Mr. Cronin)—A Dahlia of a new type, the flowers resembling a Hibiscus. The plants are of moderate growth; the flowers, which are single or semi-double, being carried upright on strong stems. Colour, heliotrope, with ruby disc. An excellent variety for garden decoration and cutting. 1/6 each.

NEW STAR DAHLIA for 1918

Pink Star—Colour beautiful pale pink. One of the best of this class, and excellent for cutting, garden decoration, or exhibition. 2/6.

STAR DAHLIAS of 1917

1/- each; 10/- per dozen.

They are dwarf in habit, wonderfully floriferous, and the flowers are grand for cutting.

Young plants of these can be supplied in November.

Aries—White, with a broad edging of glowing crimson scarlet; fine curling florets.

Crawley Star—Colour, a lovely shade of clear rose pink, base of petals crimson.

Cetus—White, edged with rosy violet, florets beautifully twisted.

Jupiter—White flowers, with a band of yellow and occasionally crimson on the edge of the florets.

Lowfield Star—Colour pale rose pink, base of petals suffused yellow.

Mercury—White, with band of scarlet on edge of the florets.

Neptune—White ground with purple crimson edges, the florets being curled.

Northern Star—A distinct shade of deep satiny rose, fine bushy habit.

Orion—White ground, splashed and edged with yellow and streaked crimson.

Polaris—Creamy white, with red edging; semi-double.

Saturn—White ground, edged with maroon; of twisting form.

Venus—White, with bright scarlet edges; showy semi-double flowers.

BRIGHTON ROAD, ST. KILDA.

- White Star**—Colour a pure glistening white, with a rich golden yellow disc.
- Worth Star**—A pleasing shade of old rose, with bars down the numerous florets.
- Yellow Star**—A charming shade of soft primrose yellow.

TREE DAHLIAS

These are remarkably nice plants flowering late in Autumn and Winter, and should be more largely cultivated on account of the time of the year it blooms.

- Tree Dahlia Imperialis**—The colour is rosy white, producing an abundance of single bell-shaped flowers; it grows to a height of 6 or 7 feet. Invaluable for cutting purposes, and when in bloom has an unusually grand appearance. 1/6 each.
- Tree Dahlia Leslie**—Colour, a beautiful shade of pink as the flower opens, changing to light lilac, and grows to a height of about 6 feet. 1/6.
- Dahlia Imperialis Alba**—Flowers pure white, well expanded and reflexed and produced in profusion. Valuable for cutting or garden display. The plant is of moderate height, and is suitable for comparatively small gardens. 1/6.
- Dahlia Imperialis Rosea**—Flowers deep purplish mauve in colour, very large, open and reflexing. The darkest variety in this class. Plants of this variety attain a height of about eight feet, and, with the preceding, are very desirable for small gardens. 1/6.
- Dahlia Imperialis Carnea**—Flowers clear pink, large and well expanded, and borne in abundance. Plants are very robust in habit, growing to a height of 15 feet. A fine variety for large gardens. 1/6.

NOTE

We can supply other good Dahlias, not enumerated in this list. For older varieties, see General Catalog.

NEW INTRODUCTION

DWARF ALPINE ASTER

- Subcœruleus**—Large light blue flowers on branching stems, height 1 foot. Price, 1/6

BRIGHTON ROAD, ST. KILDA.

PERENNIAL PHLOXES

1/3 each.

- Ardensii Louise**—Delicate lavender, with large, dark purple eye; distinct.
- Asia**—Lilac mauve, crimson eye, fine large flower; good.
- Callipoli**—Light lavender, the centre of each petal distinctly striped with white; a fine large flower and quite distinct.
- Crast Von Lassberg**—Pure white, with purplish crimson eye, very pretty.
- Harry Pliefieder**—White, crimson eye, slightly shaded with pink.
- Japonais**—Light lilac, large white centre, each petal edged with white; good.
- Rijnstroom**—A strong grower of medium height, with immense trusses of large flowers, each being the size of a crown piece. The colour is pale pink, a very select and showy variety.
- Sieboldi**—Bright scarlet, shaded with orange, crimson eye; the brightest coloured variety in cultivation.

HYDRANGEAS

Price, 1/6 each.

- Accuminata**—Blue.
- Bouquet Rose**—Vigorous grower, large inflorescence deep rose.
- Deutelle**—Good-sized corymbs, deeply frimbriated and dented, creamy white, turning to soft pink.
- Fracheur**—White shaded pink.
- La Lorraine**—Pale rose turning to bright pink.
- Madame Fouchard**—Bright ruby red, centre pure white
- Madame E. Mouilliere**—Enormous flowers, pure white, pink eye; one of the finest sorts grown.
- Radiant**—Carmine Rose.

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